## **EXHIBIT A**

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# COVER SHEET CIRCUIT COURT - CIVIL CASE

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA
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#### Date of Filing: Judge Code: (Not For Domestic Relations Cases) Form ARCiv-93 Rev. 9/18 01/17/2019 **GENERAL INFORMATION** IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA DENISE MCCURDY v. DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC. First Plaintiff: Business ✓ Individual First Defendant: ✓ Business Individual Government Other Government Other NATURE OF SUIT: Select primary cause of action, by checking box (check only one) that best characterizes your action: **TORTS: PERSONAL INJURY** OTHER CIVIL FILINGS (cont'd) WDEA - Wrongful Death MSXX - Birth/Death Certificate Modification/Bond Forfeiture Appeal/ Enforcement of Agency Subpoena/Petition to Preserve ▼ TONG - Negligence: General TOMV - Negligence: Motor Vehicle CVRT - Civil Rights ☐ TOWA - Wantonness COND - Condemnation/Eminent Domain/Right-of-Way TOPL - Product Liability/AEMLD CTMP - Contempt of Court TOMM - Malpractice-Medical CONT - Contract/Ejectment/Writ of Seizure TOLM - Malpractice-Legal TOCN - Conversion TOOM - Malpractice-Other EQND - Equity Non-Damages Actions/Declaratory Judgment/ Injunction Election Contest/Quiet Title/Sale For Division ☐ TBFM - Fraud/Bad Faith/Misrepresentation CVUD - Eviction Appeal/Unlawful Detainer TOXX - Other: FORJ - Foreign Judgment **TORTS: PERSONAL INJURY** FORF - Fruits of Crime Forfeiture TOPE - Personal Property MSHC - Habeas Corpus/Extraordinary Writ/Mandamus/Prohibition TORE - Real Properly PFAB - Protection From Abuse ☐ EPFA - Elder Protection From Abuse OTHER CIVIL FILINGS FELA - Railroad/Seaman (FELA) ABAN - Abandoned Automobile RPRO - Real Property ACCT - Account & Nonmortgage WTEG - Will/Trust/Estate/Guardianship/Conservatorship APAA - Administrative Agency Appeal COMP - Workers' Compensation ADPA - Administrative Procedure Act CVXX - Miscellaneous Circuit Civil Case ANPS - Adults in Need of Protective Services APPEAL FROM O OTHER **ORIGIN: F ✓ INITIAL FILING DISTRICT COURT** TRANSFERRED FROM R REMANDED OTHER CIRCUIT COURT Note: Checking "Yes" does not constitute a demand for a HAS JURY TRIAL BEEN DEMANDED? ✓ YES NO jury trial. (See Rules 38 and 39, Ala.R.Civ.P, for procedure) **▼** MONETARY AWARD REQUESTED NO MONETARY AWARD REQUESTED **RELIEF REQUESTED: ATTORNEY CODE:** EAR008 1/17/2019 8:03:23 AM /s/ EDMOND DEWAYNE EARLE Signature of Attorney/Party filing this form **MEDIATION REQUESTED: YES** ✓ NO UNDECIDED Election to Proceed under the Alabama Rules for Expedited Civil Actions: YES ✓ NO

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## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

DENISE MCCURDY, an individual Plaintiff,	) )
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	) CASE NO.:
	) DEMANDS A TRIAL BY JURY
<b>V.</b>	)
	)
DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC d/b/a	)
DOLLAR TREE; A, B, C, the person, firm,	)
business, corporation or entity who owned	)
and/or controlled the premises where the	)
injury occurred; D, E, and F, the person,	)
firm, business corporation, or entity who	)
caused injury to the Plaintiff as set forth	)
hereinbelow; G, H, and I, the person, firm	)
or corporation who was the employer master	
and/or principal of the person who caused	
injury to the Plaintiff at the times and places	)
made the basis of this suit and who was	)
responsible of making inspections at said	
<b>DOLLAR TREE</b> , as set forth hereinbelow;	)
all of whose true names and identities are	)
otherwise unknown to the Plaintiff at this	
time but will be added by Amendment as	)
soon as same are ascertained	)
Individually and jointly.	)
Defendant(s).	)
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#### **STATEMENT OF PARTIES**

- 1. The Plaintiff, Denise McCurdy is above the age of 19 and has been a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama at least six (6) months preceding the filing of said lawsuit.
- 2. The Defendant, Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., upon information and belief, is a domestic corporation doing business in Jefferson County, AL and throughout the state of Alabama, at material times referred to herein.
- 3. Fictitious Parties A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I are those individuals, entities, corporations, or partnerships who are not known at this time, but will be added by amendment where ascertained that caused injury to the Plaintiff and who owned and/or controlled the premises where the injury occurred.

#### **COMPLAINT**

4. On or about January 18, 2017, Plaintiff Denise McCurdy, (herein Plaintiff McCurdy), while an invitee on the premises of the Defendant Dollar Tree Stores, Inc, (herein Defendant Dollar Tree), located at 2320 CenterPoint Pkwy, Center Point, AL 35215. While on the premises of the Defendant's store, Plaintiff McCurdy walked down an aisle and slipped on a liquid substance on the floor of said premises.

## COUNT I NEGLIGENCE OR WANTONNESS

- 5. On or about the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017, Plaintiff McCurdy, while an invitee, was upon the premises of Dollar Tree Store located at 2320 Centerpoint Pkwy in Centerpoint, AL, when she slipped and fell on a liquid substance in the aisle of the store and was injured.
- 6. Plaintiff's said fall was the proximate result of the named Defendant's and fictitious Defendants' negligence and/or wantonness in that the named Defendant and fictitious Defendants, with knowledge that a dangerous and slippery substance was on the floor of the premises, allowed said substance to remain there without cleaning it up and without warning Plaintiff of the presence of the substance or the danger it posed.
- 7. As a proximate consequence of the negligence and/or wantonness of the Defendants, whether named or fictitiously alleged, the Plaintiff was caused to suffer physical and emotional injuries which include the following damages and injuries:
  - a.) Plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer from soreness and physical pain;
  - b.) Plaintiff suffered injuries/strains/sprains to her left side of hip, left leg, and lower back.
  - c.) Plaintiffs suffered pain and suffering and will continue to suffer such severe pain and suffering;
  - d.) Plaintiffs incurred expenses for medical treatment, medicine and physician's fees. Further, Plaintiffs will be caused to continue to incur such expenses in the future in order to alleviate the injuries, pain and suffering;
  - e.) Plaintiffs suffered severe mental anguish from injuries sustained as result of the willful wanton negligent acts of Defendant Dollar Tree Stores, Inc and fictitious defendants and will continue to suffer such severe mental anguish;
  - f.) As a result of Defendant Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. conduct, Plaintiff sustained a physical impairment and will continue to suffer from said physical impairment in the future, which results in a loss of ability to earn money and of actual earnings.

g.) As a result of said incident, Plaintiffsare prevented from participating and enjoying the benefits of a full and complete life.

## COUNT II NEGLIGENT SUPERVISION

- 8. The Plaintiff adopts and realleges the preceding paragraphs one through seven and further alleges as follows:
- 9. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff believes that the Defendant failed to properly train, direct, and/or supervise its employees on the premises known as Dollar Tree, which gave rise to the basis of this complaint.

WHEREFORE WITH ALL PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiff demands a judgment against the Defendant for actual, punitive and general damages, and such other damages as allowed by the State of Alabama in an amount in excess of this Honorable Court's Jurisdictional limit for the injuries caused by Defendant.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Edmond D. Earle
Edmond D. Earle (EAR008)
Attorney for the Plaintiff

### **OF COUNSEL:**

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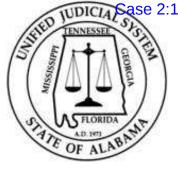
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#### PLAINTIFF DEMANDS A TRIAL BY JURY

#### **DEFENDANT MAY BE SERVED BY CERTIFIED MAIL AS FOLLOWS:**

**REGISTERED AGENT of Dollar Tree Stores, Inc.** 

Corporation Service Company, Inc. 641 South Lawrence Street Montgomery, AL 36104



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To: EDMOND DEWAYNE EARLE earle@earlelawfirm.com

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### SUMMONS - CIVIL -

**Court Case Number** 01-CV-2019-900262.00

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NOTICE TO: DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC., 2320 CENTERPOINT PARKWAY, CENTERPOINT, AL 35215				
(Name and Address of Defendant)				
THE COMPLAINT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT, AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY ARE REQUIRED TO FILE THE ORIGINAL OF YOUR WRITTEN ANSWER, EITHER ADMITTING OR DENYING EACH ALLEGATION IN THE COMPLAINT OR OTHER DOCUMENT, WITH THE CLERK OF THIS COURT. A COPY OF YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR HAND DELIVERED BY YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY TO THE PLAINTIFF(S) OR ATTORNEY(S) OF THE PLAINTIFF(S), EDMOND DEWAYNE EARLE				
	[Name(s) of Attorne	ey(s)]		
WHOSE ADDRESS(ES) IS/ARE: 1820 7TH AVENUE NORTH SUITE 105, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203  [Address(es) of Plaintiff(s) or Attorney(s)]				
THE ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WERE SERVED ON YOU OR A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR OTHER DOCUMENT.				
TO ANY SHERIFF OR ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY THE ALABAMA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO SERVE PROCESS:				
☐ You are hereby commanded to serve this Summons and a copy of the Complaint or other document in				
this action upon the above-named Defendant.				
Service by certified mail of this Summons is initiated upon the written request of DENISE MCCURDY				
pursuant to the Alabama Rules of the Civil Procedure.  [Name(s)]				
1/17/2019 8:03:58 AM /s/ JACQUELINE ANDERSON SMITH By:				
(Date)	(Signa	ature of Clerk)	(Name)	
✓ Certified Mail is hereby requested.  /s/ EDMOND DEWAYNE EARLE  (Plaintiff's/Attorney's Signature)				
RETURN ON SERVICE				
Return receipt of certified mail received in this office on .				
(Date)				
☐ I certify that I personally delivered a copy of this Summons and Complaint or other document to				
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Alabama on				
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